



TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Board of Assessors

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Minutes of BOA Meeting August 15, 2016 5:00 pm- Room 107-Town Hall

Chairman Dennis M. Robson called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

In attendance were Chairman Dennis M. Robson, Vice-Chairman Heidi S. Hosmer, Assessor/Appraiser Debra J. Krupczak and taking minutes Administrative Assistant Christine MacPherson.

A motion was made by Chairman Dennis M. Robson to approve the July 12, 2016 BOA meeting minutes. The motion was 2nd by Vice Chairman Heidi S. Hosmer. All in favor. Chairman Robson signed.

The Board signed the monthly bill vouchers totaling \$395.15.

Business:

End of Month Motor Vehicle Report

- The Board signed the July end of month posted Motor Vehicle abatements totaling \$23,613.73.

Un-Posted August Motor Vehicle Report

- The Board signed the August un-posted Motor Vehicle abatements totaling \$8,520.81.

Motor Vehicle Off Record Commitments

- The Board signed three (3) Motor Vehicle Off Record Commitments:

<u>Bill#</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
17380	2001	\$35.90
10710	2002	\$67.75
5645	2002	\$152.84

Motor Vehicle Abatement Denials

- A motion was made by Chairman Dennis M. Robson to approve three (3) Motor Vehicle Abatement Denials. The motion was 2nd by Vice Chairman Heidi S. Hosmer. All in favor. Signed.

Bill# 18105

Bill# 18107

Bill# 18118

Public Comment

- Rockland resident Harvey Smith attended the meeting and had comments and questions regarding the Municipal Modernization Act recently signed into law by Governor Baker and the Community Preservation Act surcharge which Rockland voters will vote on at the November Election.

FY2017-FY2019 Revaluation Program Contract

- Assessor/Appraiser Debra Krupczak presented the Board of Assessors with the revaluation contract for signatures which is the agreement between the Town of Rockland Board of Assessors and Paul S. Kapinos and Associates DBA pk Valuation Group previously approved at the 7/12/2016 meeting.

PK Software Upgrade

- Assessor/Appraiser Debra Krupczak also informed the Board that PK has completed an upgrade to the assessment software. It has been upgraded to a web based format. Also, the software will now be housed and backed up offsite in South Hadley.

Municipal Modernization Legislation

- Assessor/Appraiser Debra Krupczak provided the Board with a copy of the summary of the Municipal Modernization Act signed into law by Governor Baker on Tuesday, August 9th and will be discussed in more detail at the Fall Conference in October. Some of the measures included in the bill are: Certification of Local Property Assessments, Supplemental Assessments, Exemption Applications, Commercial Fishing Exemption, Single Overlay, Appeals, CPA Surcharge Exemptions, State-Owned Land Valuation, Abatement on Low Value Lands, Approval of Forms, Affordable Housing Abatements, Residential Exemption, DOR's Authorization to Assess owner unknown, Apportionment Appeal, Betterment Suspension, Prisoners of War Exemption from Motor Vehicles Excise, Betterment Installments, Charitable Exemption Technical Correction, Mortgage Abatements, Appellate Tax Board Jurisdiction Requirements and Allows Commitment Books to be stored in Electronic form.

Chairman Dennis M. Robson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:48pm. Vice Chairman Heidi S. Hosmer 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Dennis M. Robson –Chairman